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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TAKEHIKO NAKAI

Application No.: 09/866,587

Filed: May 30, 2001

For: DIFFRACTIVE OPTICAL
ELEMENT AND OPTICAL SYSTEM:
HAVING THE SAME

Examiner: A. Amari

Group Art Unit: 2872

September 26, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231FAX RECEIVED
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TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800AMENDMENT AND SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2002, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 2, line 10 and ending at line 19. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto is attached:

--As to this SWS grating, it is known that such SWS gratings may own various functions such as a double refraction (birefringence) wavelength plate, an antireflection structure,